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**FORMER BALCONES HEIGHTS POLICE OFFICER
CONVICTED OF CIVIL RIGHTS CHARGES**

United States Attorney Johnny Sutton, Colonel Thomas Davis, Texas Department of Public Safety and Special Agent in Charge Patrick A. Patterson, Federal Bureau of Investigation announced that a jury in San Antonio this afternoon convicted 30-year-old Dwaun Guidry, a former Balcones Heights police officer, on charges of violating the civil rights of several women while in his custody.

In all, the jury convicted Guidry of four civil rights-related violations. Three of the violations focused on the deprivation of civil rights. The fourth violation was for possession of a firearm during the commission of a crime of violence. The jury found that Guidry had non-consensual sexual intercourse with a woman in his patrol car during the early morning hours of December 19, 2002. The jury also found that Guidry, while carrying a firearm, kidnapped the female victim and sexually assaulted her.

Finally, the jury found that Guidry conspired with another individual to sexually assault five young women while on duty during the early morning hours of November 24, 2002. Testimony revealed that on that day Guidry and Roland Rico Trevino arrested five young, intoxicated women and then drove them to the Balcones Heights Police Department. Once at that location, Guidry and Trevino each had sexual contact with the young women before releasing them without charges.

"No one is above the law. 99.9% of all cops dedicate their lives to protecting the innocent. This officer betrayed that trust," stated United States Attorney Johnny Sutton.

As a result of the jury's verdict, Guidry faces up to life in federal prison. Sentencing is scheduled for April 8, 2005. Trevino is set for jury selection and trial on February 28, 2005. He is charged with conspiracy to deprive five women of their civil rights.

This case was investigated by the Texas Rangers and Federal Bureau of Investigation. Assistant United States Attorneys Bill Baumann and Diana Cruz-Zapata are prosecuting this case on behalf of the government.

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